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#### (57) Abstract

A process of making compounds of formula (I), wherein Z is an unsubstituted or substituted n-valent cyclic moiety bearing at least one endocyclic oxirane group; Y is O, S, NH, (Ia) or (Ib); R<sup>2</sup> is a divalent linking group; X is O, S or NH; R<sup>1</sup> is H or (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>) alkyl; and n is an integer from 1 to 6, Z being mono- to hexavalent respectively, it being possible for -Y-R<sup>2</sup> to represent a single bond, comprises reacting a compound of formula (II), wherein Z<sup>1</sup> is a cyclic moiety bearing at least one endocyclic C=C group; and Y, R<sup>2</sup>, X, R<sup>1</sup> and n are as defined above with hydrone pages defined as the approach of the process of

$$\begin{bmatrix} z^{1} - \frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}$$

gen peroxide in the presence of (a) tungstic acid or tungsten oxide or molybdic acid or a molybdenum oxide; (b) phosphoric acid or a salt thereof; and (c) at least one phase transfer catalyst.

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